



# **San Diego City Attorney MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE**

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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### **PRESS AVAILABILITY**

#### **CITY ATTORNEY RELEASES NEW SUBPOENAS ISSUED BY U.S. GRAND JURY AND 2002 CITY MANAGER REPORT ON PENSION STATUS**

**PRESS AVAILABILITY:** City Attorney Michael Aguirre  
Diann Shipione, former Board member of the San Diego  
City Employees' Retirement System (SDCERS)

City Attorney Michael Aguirre will release two subpoenas to the news media that were issued by the U.S. Grand Jury. Under the California Public Records Act, news organizations have requested documents related to the U.S. Attorney's criminal investigation of the City of San Diego's financial disclosure practices and pension system.

In addition the City Attorney will make available and discuss some of the documents that were recently produced as a result of a federal court order. One of the documents is a December 6, 2002 memorandum overseen by then Assistant City Manager P. Lamont Ewell to the Mayor and City Council regarding then Pension Board member Diann Shipione's appearance before the City Council on November 18, 2002. At that Council meeting Ms. Shipione warned the Council of a pension crisis. However, the City Manager memo misrepresents the pension crisis to the City Council.

**DATE AND TIME:** Today at 12:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** City Attorney's Office  
1200 Third Avenue, Suite 1620  
Downtown San Diego  
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